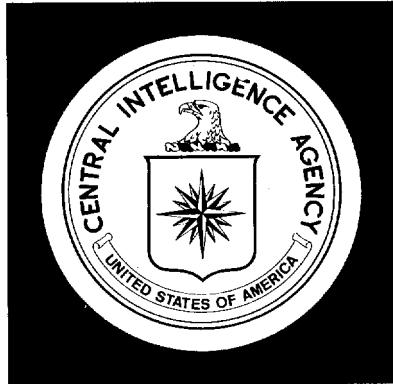


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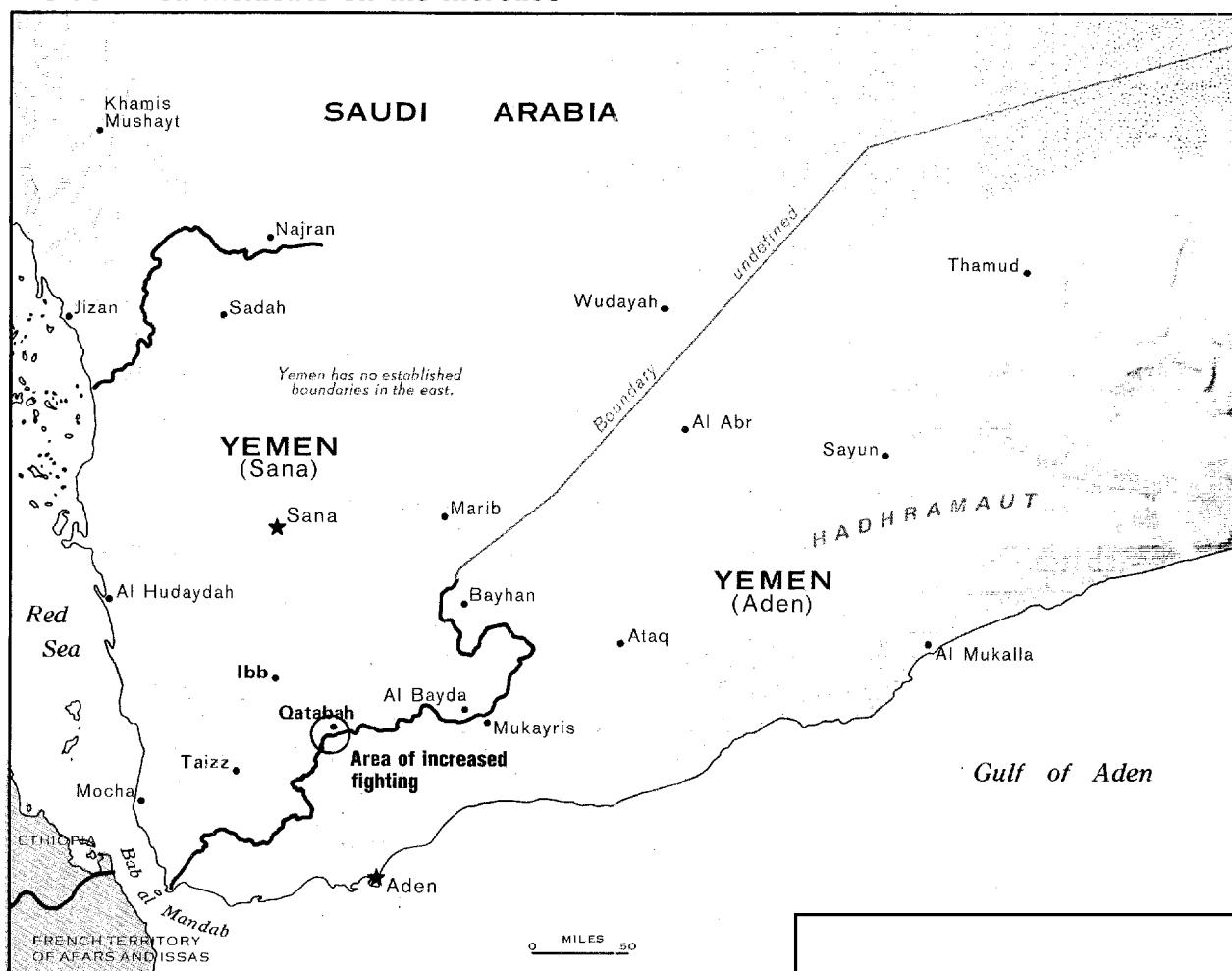
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YEMEN (SANA) - YEMEN (ADEN): Terrorist operations launched by Yemen (Aden) inside neighboring Yemen (Sana) have increased over the past month, after a relative lull since last February.

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By mid-July, [redacted] road mining incidents by Aden-supported terrorists in southern Yemen (Sana) had made travel hazardous on the principal roads connecting the border town of Qatabah with the provincial capitals of Taizz and Ibb. The terrorists established small bases in sympathetic villages in the border region and set off explosives in some larger towns.

The Yemen (Sana) Army launched a campaign against the terrorists on 20 July and succeeded in driving them out of several villages. Nevertheless, the Adeni irregulars are maintaining the increased level of terrorism. Sana's artillery has fired on Adeni supply convoys and Aden is reportedly moving army reinforcements nearer the border.

Clashes between the two Yemens have flared up sporadically during the past several years, but Sana has not previously used regular army troops against the Adenis. The movement of Adeni reinforcements to the border thus raises the possibility of clashes involving regular forces. [redacted]

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